

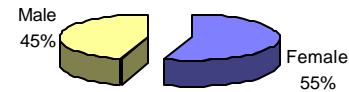
## THE COLLEGE BOARD'S ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PROGRAM

The College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) program provides high school students with opportunities to earn college credit. High schools offer students opportunities to learn at the college level in mathematics, sciences, English, art, history, music, social sciences, and foreign languages. Students take national examinations in May of each year. The tests are scored on a scale of 1 to 5. Colleges and universities make their own decisions on the amount of credit to be awarded for each AP examination score. In most cases credit is not awarded for scores less than 3. The Board of Regents website has the

### SOUTH DAKOTA PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

Ethnic Group	Number	Percent
Native American	8	0.61%
African American	7	0.53%
Hispanic	10	0.76%
Asian	21	1.60%
Other	24	1.83%
White	1,221	92.92%
Not Stated	23	1.75%

### Gender Distribution



### SOUTH DAKOTA PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

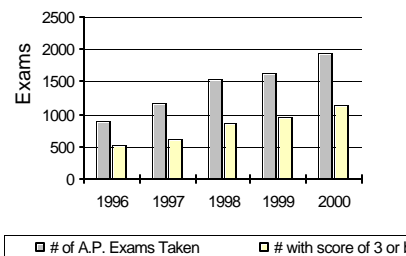
Year	# of Candidates	# of A.P. Exams Taken	# with score of 3 or better	SD % with score of 3 or better	Nat'l % with score of 3 or better
1996	630	884	511	57.81%	63.48%
1997	882	1165	622	53.40%	64.70%
1998	1,086	1,536	852	55.50%	64.40%
1999	1,100	1,637	946	57.80%	63.80%
2000	1,314	1,949	1,153	59.20%	63.90%



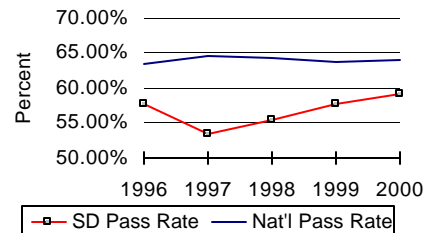
### FACT SUMMARY:

- ◆ The number of S.D. high school students taking AP examinations has increased from 206 in 1989 to 1,314 in 2000, an increase of 538%.
- ◆ The number of AP examinations taken in S.D. has grown from 243 in 1989 to 1,949 in 2000 an increase of 702%.
- ◆ Students at 38 S.D. high schools took AP examinations in 2000.

### SOUTH DAKOTA A.P. EXAM



### A.P. EXAM: NATIONAL COMPARISON



### AP Examinations in SD, 2000

	Exams	% SD
English Literature	440	22.6%
Calculus AB	344	17.7%
US History	271	13.9%
English Language	234	12.0%
Biology	222	11.4%
15 Other Exams	438	22.5%

Source: College Board, Midwest Office, Evanston, IL